PATENT Docket No. IL-10380

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as express mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on November 1, 2004.

Teresa Walls

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	Brian D. Andresen et al	Docket No. :	IL-10380
Serial No.	:	09/917,475	Art Unit :	2856
Filed	:	July 27, 2001	Examiner :	D. Rogers
For	:	POROUS PROTECTIVE SOLID PHASE MICRO-EXTRACTION SHEATH		

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2004, kindly amend the abovereferenced application as outlined below. Accompanying this communication is a petition to extend the prosecution for three months and the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.